

Law of Love

Big Question:

How does God want us to live?

MEMORY VERSE

"If you love me, keep my commands." John 14:15 NIV

INTRO

Question: How would our lives be different if there weren't any rules?

My Story: Share a personal story about rules that seem bad at the time but are actually for our benefit.

BIBLE STORY | THE GREATEST COMMANDMENT

In your own words, set the scene as described in Matthew 22:34-36.

Matthew 22:37-40 | What are God's two most important commands?

EXPLORING THE BIBLE

Exodus 20:1-17 | What do the Ten Commandments have to do with loving God and one another?

How might our world change if everyone lived according to these commandments?

Ephesians 2:8-10 | Are we saved by obeying the Ten Commandments?

John 14:15; John 15:5 | Why and how should we live out God's law of love?

Romans 7:15-20; 8:1 | What should I do when I struggle to obey Jesus?

FUN FACTS

The Bible describes two homes of perfect happiness. The first is the Garden of Eden, which we read about in the first two chapters of the Bible (Genesis 1 and 2). The second is in the world made new—our eternal home—which we read about in the last two chapters of the Bible (Revelation 21 and 22). In both homes, God's law of love is written on everyone's hearts (Jeremiah 31:33). This means that everyone there will love God and one another all the time, without even thinking to do otherwise. How awesome is that! That's why God's law is so important. It will safeguard the happiness of our eternal home forever. And as we learn to live out God's law of love, we get to experience a taste of that wonderful future today.

LIVING IT

Discuss: What have you learnt today about God's law of love?

Decide: Would you like God to help you live out his law of love more and more each day?



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